



International Tribunal for the Prosecution
of Persons Responsible for Serious
Violations of International Humanitarian
Law Committed in the Territory of the
Former Yugoslavia since 1991

Case No.: IT-03-67-PT
Date: 26 June 2007
Original: ENGLISH
French

BEFORE THE PRE-TRIAL JUDGE

Before: Judge Jean-Claude Antonetti

Registrar: Mr Hans Holthuis

Order of: 26 June 2007

THE PROSECUTOR

v.

VOJISLAV ŠEŠELJ

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**ORDER REGARDING THE LENGTH OF THE PROSECUTION'S
PRE-TRIAL BRIEF**

The Office of the Prosecutor:

Ms Christine Dahl

The Accused:

Mr Vojislav Šešelj

I, Jean-Claude Antonetti, Judge of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (“Tribunal”);

SEIZED of the motion filed by the Office of the Prosecutor (“Prosecution”) on 21 June 2007 seeking leave to exceed the limit of 15,000 words applicable to pre-trial briefs (“Motion”);¹

NOTING the Practice Direction on the Length of Briefs and Motions according to which “pre-trial briefs will not exceed 15,000 words”;²

CONSIDERING that, given the urgency of the Motion, the Prosecution was notified by internal correspondence of the disposition of the present order;

CONSIDERING that the Prosecution has demonstrated that its work to consolidate material and to include references which were previously annexed constitutes exceptional circumstances which justify the oversized filing;³

CONSIDERING furthermore that the Prosecution requests that Vojislav Šešelj (“Accused”) be granted leave to file a pre-trial brief of the same length;⁴

CONSIDERING that it is in the interests of justice for the Accused also to be granted the possibility of exceeding the word limit should he wish to file a pre-trial brief;

¹ “Prosecution’s Motion for Authorisation to Exceed the Word Limit Applicable to Pre-Trial Briefs”, 21 June 2007.

² Practice Direction on the Length of Briefs and Motions (It/184/Rev. 2), 16 September 2005.

³ Motion, paras. 3-5.

FOR THE FOREGOING REASONS**PURSUANT TO** Rule 54 of the Rules of Procedure and Evidence,**GRANT** the Motion and **ORDER**

- (i) that the Prosecution's pre-trial brief shall not exceed 40,000 words, and
- (ii) that the Accused's pre-trial brief, should he wish to make such a filing, shall not exceed 40,000 words.

Done in English and in French, the French version being authoritative.

/signed/

Jean-Claude Antonetti

Pre-Trial Judge

Done this twenty-sixth day of June 2007

At The Hague

The Netherlands

[Seal of the Tribunal]

⁴ *Id.*, p. 2.